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AUTOMATED CLINICAL CHEMISTRY  
ANALYZER SYSTEM**  
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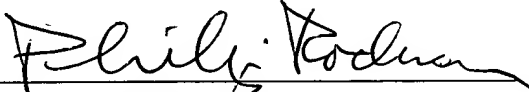
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**AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR 1.312**

Sir:

Please charge any fees in connection with this Amendment to our Deposit Account No. 18-1743.

This Amendment is submitted to correct a spelling error in the title of the invention as indicated on the following page:

Please amend the title as follows:

CUP HANDLING [~~SUBSYSTEM~~] **SUBSYSTEM** FOR AN  
AUTOMATED CLINICAL CHEMISTRY ANALYZER SYSTEM